

House Resolution No. 286

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives recognize the significance of the institution of marriage as a vital foundation of American society and wholeheartedly believe that a successful union can be achieved only through a loving relationship of mutual honor, respect, and trust; and

Whereas, a period of five wondrous decades has passed since Harold Hayden lovingly took the hand of his beautiful bride, Wanda Pierson, during a solemn ceremony on December 21, 1953, in Orange, California; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Harold and Wanda Hayden have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include their children and their spouses, Jeffrey and Lora Hayden of Tecumseh, Kansas, Becky and David Clements of Graham, Paul and Heather Hayden of Worth, and Susan Mead of St. Joseph; eight grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; and two step-great-granddaughters; and

Whereas, Dr. Harold Hayden has compiled an impressive record of achievement that includes graduating from Maryville High School and the University of Missouri-Columbia, practicing veterinary medicine until he retired in 2002, and operating a livestock operation with his son; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Wanda Hayden has further distinguished herself as a graduate of Pickering High School; and

Whereas, during their half century together, Harold and Wanda Hayden have cherished each other every day in sickness and in health with the love so deep in their hearts; and

Whereas, Dr. and Mrs. Hayden, residents of Barnard, commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary on December 21, 2003:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Harold and Wanda Hayden and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Dr. and Mrs. Harold Hayden.

Offered by _____
Representative Brad Lager
District No. 4

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 286, adopted February 2, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker